From: Gorman, John

Sent: Thursday, October 17, 2013 11:04 AM

To: Haklar, James; Santella, Dennis; Schulz, Susan; Newton, Caroline

Cc: Molnar, William; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject: P.S. 113 Queens

Phil Napolitano gave me a call about P.S. 113 in Queens. Apparently, the custodian found a leaking PCB ballast in an auditorium light fixture in August 2012. The custodian submitted a regular work order, not the required notification for PCB lighting fixtures, so it wasn't previously reported to us or acted upon in a timely manner. The fixture and (two others with "dark spots, but no leaks") has been replaced. The school is expected to get a complete lighting upgrade after Thanksgiving (out to bid now). Phil said that a parent recently learned about this and is very upset and we should anticipate a call.



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From:

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Sent:

Thursday, October 17, 2013 5:55 AM

To: Subject:

Haklar, James; Molnar, William; Santella, Dennis; Schulz, Susan; Wienckoski, Ronald

FW: P.S. 156 Queens smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Friday, October 11, 2013 1:02 PM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 156 Queens smoking ballast incident

John:

As a follow up to my previous email, 2 fixtures containing 2 leaking pcb ballasts were removed from room 200A. Wipe samples were taken and have been returned. Sample results are below the federal action level of 10 ug/cm². The room will be re-occupied. Parent notification letters were sent. We ventilated with a pedestal fan and blower unit.

The blower (max rating 980 cfm) has been running for 24 hours in the room that is 4186 cuft. I used 700 cfm (in case the duct had a bend). 700 cfm x 1440 minutes / 4186 cuft = 240 air changes.

Smoking ballast info was not provided

Let me know if you have any questions

Regards, Phil

From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Thursday, October 10, 2013 10:17 AM
To: 'Gorman, John' (Gorman, John@epa.gov)
Subject: P.S. 156 Queens smoking ballast incident

John,

P.S. 156 located at 229 - 07 137th Avenue in Queens had a visibly smoking ballast in office200A this morning 10/10. The room was immediately secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Fixture removal and wipe samples will happen tonight. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards

Phil

Philip Napolitano

Deputy Director of Facilities

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From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Thursday, October 17, 2013 5:55 AM

To: Subject: Haklar, James; Molnar, William; Santella, Dennis; Schulz, Susan; Wienckoski, Ronald

FW: P.S. 57 Manhattan smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Friday, October 11, 2013 8:11 AM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 57 Manhattan smoking ballast incident

Good morning John:

As a follow up to my previous email, 1 fixture was inspected and found to contain a non pcb ballast with no staining. Wipe samples were not taken. The room will be re-occupied. Parent notification letters were sent. We did not provide an additional blower unit.

Smoking ballast info: NON PCB

Let me know if you have any questions

Regards, Phil

From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Thursday, October 10, 2013 10:08 AM To: 'Gorman, John' (Gorman.John@epa.gov)

Subject: P.S. 57 Manhattan smoking ballast incident

John,

P.S. 57 located at 176 East 115th Street in Manhattan had a visibly smoking ballast in room 228 this morning 10/10. The room was immediately evacuated and secured: A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Fixture removal and wipe samples will happen today. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards

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From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Thursday, October 17, 2013 5:55 AM

To:

Evangelista, Pat; Haklar, James; Molnar, William; Newton, Caroline; Santella, Dennis; Schulz,

Susan; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

FW: P.S. 156 Queens smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Thursday, October 10, 2013 10:17 AM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: P.S. 156 Queens smoking ballast incident

John,

P.S. 156 located at 229 - 07 137th Avenue in Queens had a visibly smoking ballast in office200A this morning 10/10. The room was immediately secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Fixture removal and wipe samples will happen tonight. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards

Phil

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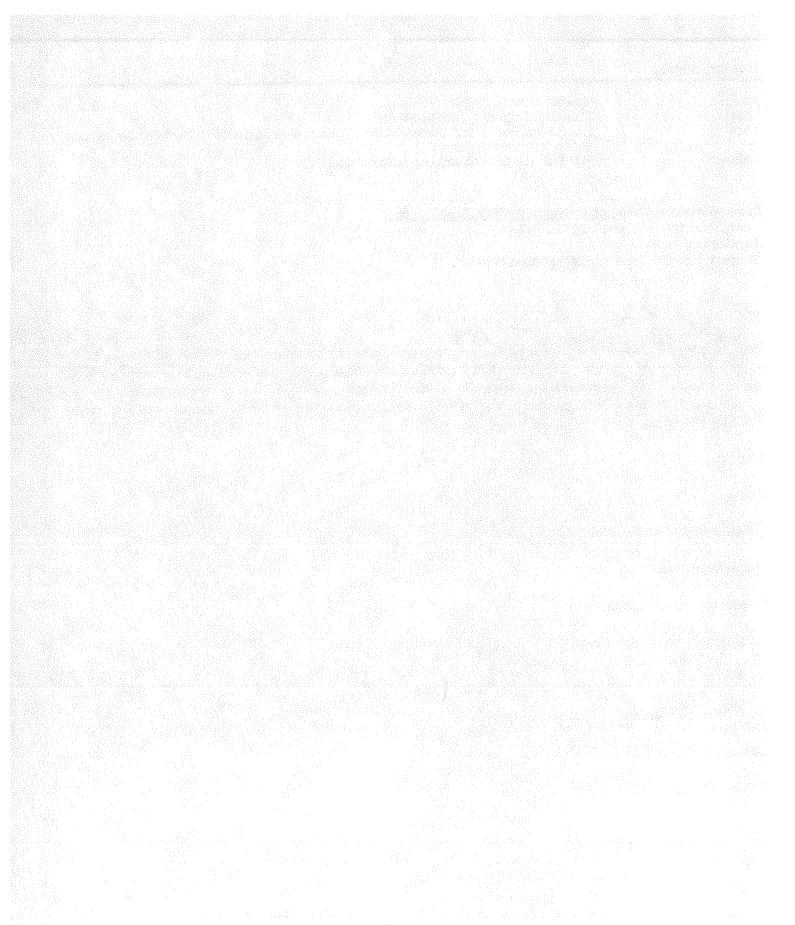
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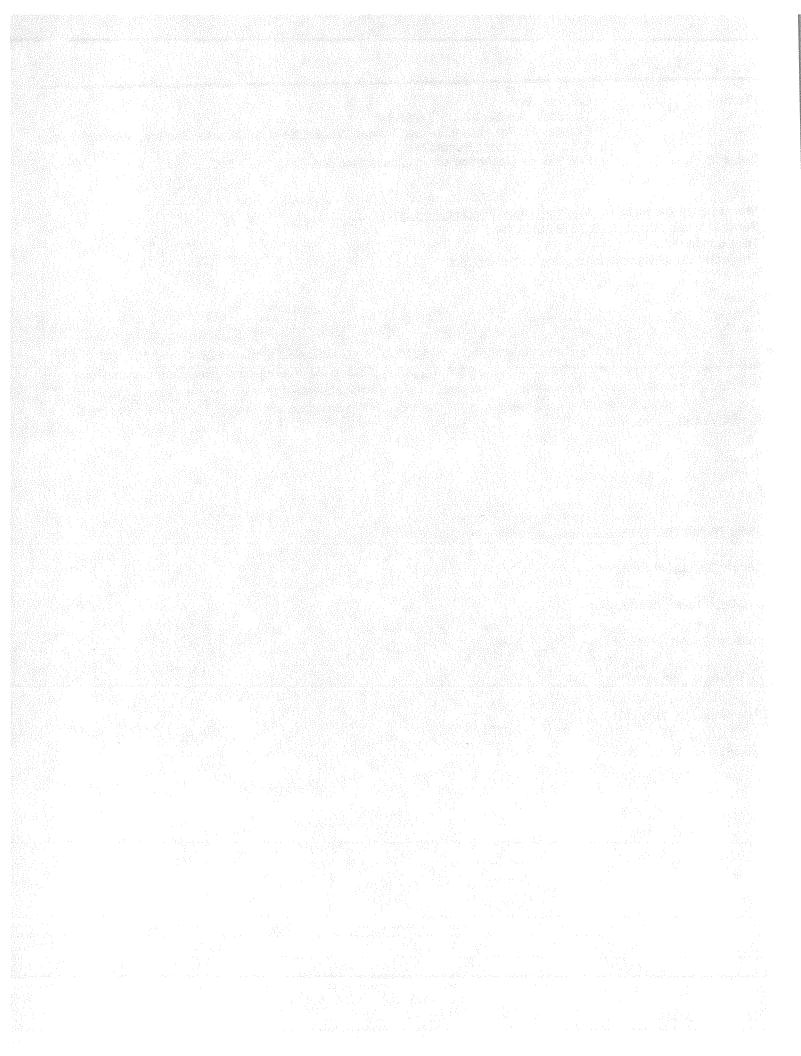
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Gorman, John

Sent:

Thursday, October 17, 2013 5:55 AM

To:

Haklar, James; Molnar, William; Santella, Dennis; Schulz, Susan; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

FW: P.S. 157 Bronx external leak

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, October 09, 2013 11:54 AM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 157 Bronx external leak

John,

As a follow up to my previous email, the impacted floor was cleaned by our environmental contractor and 5 wipe samples were taken from room 224. All wipe sample results are below the detection limit. Room 224 will be reoccupied. Parent notification letters will be sent.

Regards, Phil

From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Tuesday, October 08, 2013 11:59 AM. To: 'Gorman, John' (Gorman, John@epa.gov)
Subject: P.S. 157 Bronx external leak

Good morning John:

P.S. 157 located at 757 Caldwell Avenue in the Bronx reported a burning odor from a light fixture in room 224 on Thursday 10/3. The room was immediately evacuated and secured. Our environmental contractor inspected the light fixtures in the room and found 6 leaking PCB ballasts. All ballasts and fixtures were removed Thursday evening. Prior to re-occupancy, the custodian noticed dried pieces of a tar like substance on the floor and a student's desk. Our environmental contractor re-inspected the room last night and confirmed that the tar may contain PCB's. The environmental contractor disposed of the impacted student desk as PCB contaminated waste and cleaned the impacted floor using Capsur. Our environmental consultant will take wipe samples of the impacted floor today. The room will remain closed until favorable wipe results are returned. Parental notification letters were sent.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Regards, Phil

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From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Thursday, October 17, 2013 5:55 AM

To: Subject: Haklar, James; Molnar, William; Santella, Dennis; Schulz, Susan; Wienckoski, Ronald

FW: P.S. 13 Manhattan smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Monday, October 07, 2013 1:25 PM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 13 Manhattan smoking ballast incident

John:

As a follow up to my previous email, 1 fixture containing 1 leaking pcb ballast was removed from room 429. Wipe samples were taken and have been returned. Sample results are below the federal action level of 10 ug/cm². The room will be re-occupied. Parent notification letters were sent. We ventilated with a pedestal fan and blower unit.

The blower (max rating 980 cfm) has been running for over 24 hours in the room that is 4500 cuft. I used 700 cfm (in case the duct had a bend). 700 cfm x 1440 minutes / 4500 cuft = 224 air changes.

Smoking ballast info:

Advance

No thermal protection

No manufacture date

Let me know if you have any questions

Regards, Phil

From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Thursday, October 03, 2013 2:50 PM **To:** 'Gorman, John' (Gorman, John@epa.gov)

Subject: P.S. 13 Manhattan smoking ballast incident

John,

P.S. 13 located at 1573 Madison Avenue in Manhattan had a visibly smoking ballast in the staff lounge rm 429 today 10/3. The room was immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Fixture removal and wipe samples will be completed today or tomorrow. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards

Phil

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From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Thursday, October 17, 2013 5:55 AM

To:

Haklar, James; Molnar, William; Santella, Dennis; Schulz, Susan; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

FW: P.S. 153 Bronx smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Monday, October 07, 2013 1:32 PM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 153 Bronx smoking ballast incident

John:

As a follow up to my previous email, 6 fixtures containing 5 leaking pcb ballasts and 1 intact pcb ballast was removed from room 307. Wipe samples were taken and have been returned. Sample results are below the federal action level of 10 ug/cm². The room will be re-occupied. Parent notification letters were sent. We ventilated with a pedestal fan and blower unit.

The blower (max rating 980 cfm) has been running for over 24 hours in the room that is 4000 cuft. I used 700 cfm (in case the duct had a bend). 700 cfm x 1440 minutes / 4000 cuft = 252 air changes.

Smoking ballast info:

Advance

No thermal protection

No manufacture date

Let me know if you have any questions

Regards, Phil

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From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Friday, October 04, 2013 8:41 AM
To: 'Gorman, John' (Gorman, John@epa.gov)
Subject: P.S. 153 Bronx smoking ballast incident

John,

P.S. 153 located at 650 Baychester Avenue in the Bronx had a visibly smoking ballast in room 307 this morning 10/4. The room was immediately secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Fixture removal and wipe samples will be completed today. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards

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From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Thursday, October 17, 2013 5:55 AM

To:

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Susan; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

FW: P.S. 157 Bronx external leak

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Sent: Tuesday, October 08, 2013 11:59 AM

To: Gorman, John

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Let me know if you have any questions.

Regards, Phil

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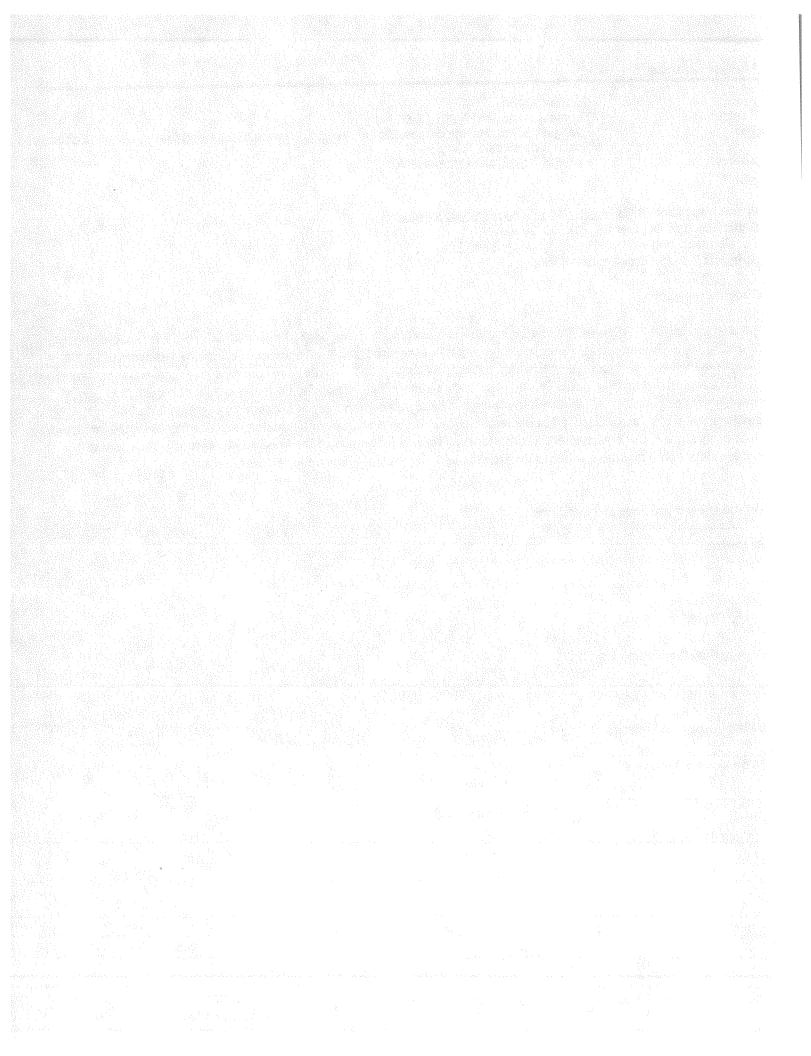
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From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Thursday, October 17, 2013 5:54 AM

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To: Subject:

Haklar, James; Molnar, William; Santella, Dennis; Schulz, Susan; Wienckoski, Ronald

FW: P.S. 67 Bronx smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Friday, October 04, 2013 2:38 PM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 67 Bronx smoking ballast incident

John:

As a follow up to my previous email, 6 fixtures containing 2 leaking pcb ballasts(smoker) and 4 non-pcb with historic stains was removed from room 507. Wipe samples were taken and have been returned. Sample results are below the federal action level of 10 ug/cm². The room will be re-occupied. Parent notification letters were sent. We ventilated with a pedestal fan and blower unit.

The blower (max rating 980 cfm) has been running for over 24 hours in the room that is 8050 cuft. I used 700 cfm (in case the duct had a bend). 700 cfm \times 1440 minutes / 8050 cuft = 125 air changes.

Smoking ballast info:

Advance

No thermal protection

No manufacture date

Let me know if you have any questions

Regards, Phil

From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Thursday, October 03, 2013 10:27 AM
To: 'Gorman, John' (Gorman, John@epa.gov)
Subject: P.S. 67 Bronx smoking ballast incident

John:

P.S. 67 located at 2024 Mohegan Avenue in the Bronx had a visibly smoking ballast in classroom 507 today 10/3. The classroom was immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Our environmental contractor will inspect/remove the fixture tonight. They will also provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. Wipe samples will be taken as well. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards,

Phil

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From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Thursday, October 17, 2013 5:53 AM

To:

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Susan; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

FW: P.S. 13 Manhattan smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Thursday, October 03, 2013 2:50 PM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: P.S. 13 Manhattan smoking ballast incident

John,

P.S. 13 located at 1573 Madison Avenue in Manhattan had a visibly smoking ballast in the staff lounge rm 429 today 10/3. The room was immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Fixture removal and wipe samples will be completed today or tomorrow. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards

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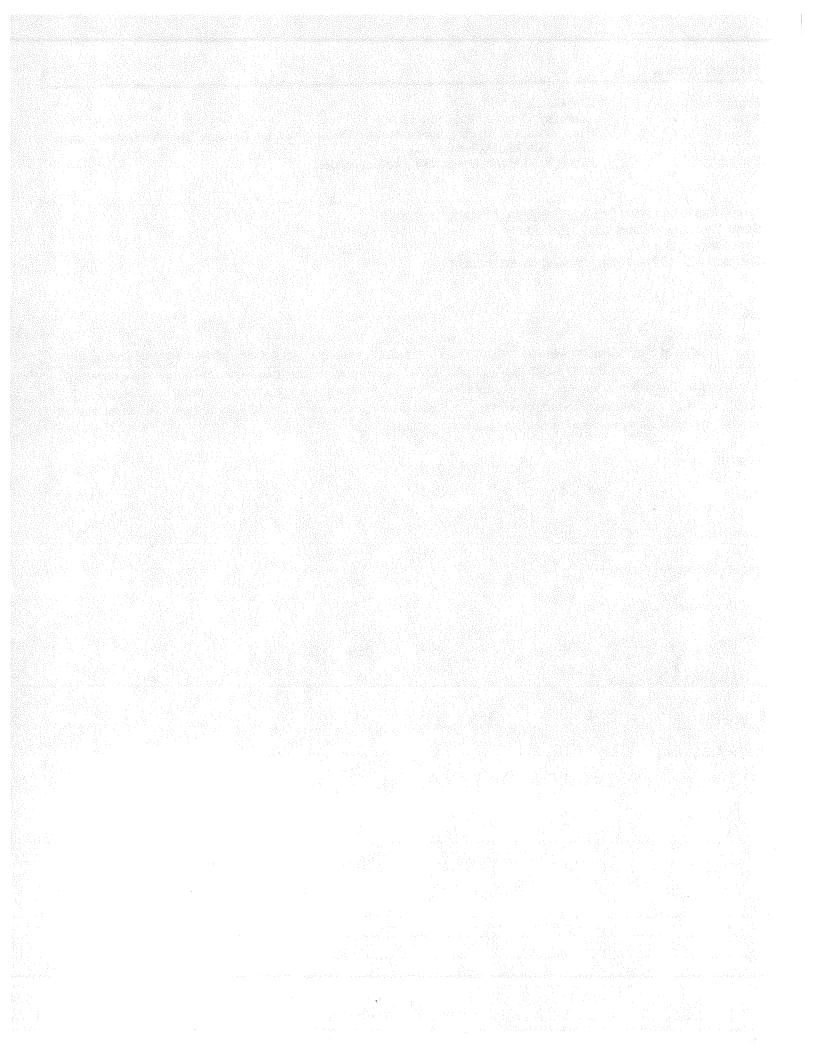
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Subject:

FW: P.S. 153 Bronx smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Friday, October 04, 2013 8:41 AM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: P.S. 153 Bronx smoking ballast incident

John,

P.S. 153 located at 650 Baychester Avenue in the Bronx had a visibly smoking ballast in room 307 this morning 10/4. The room was immediately secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Fixture removal and wipe samples will be completed today. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

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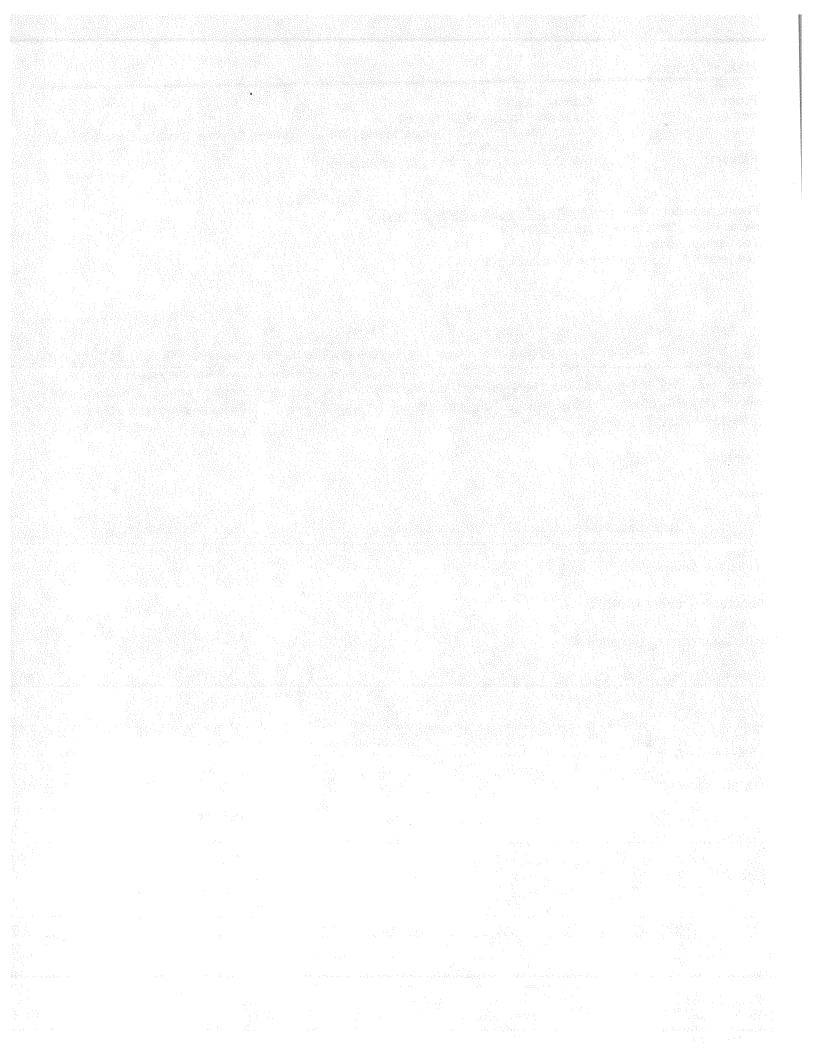
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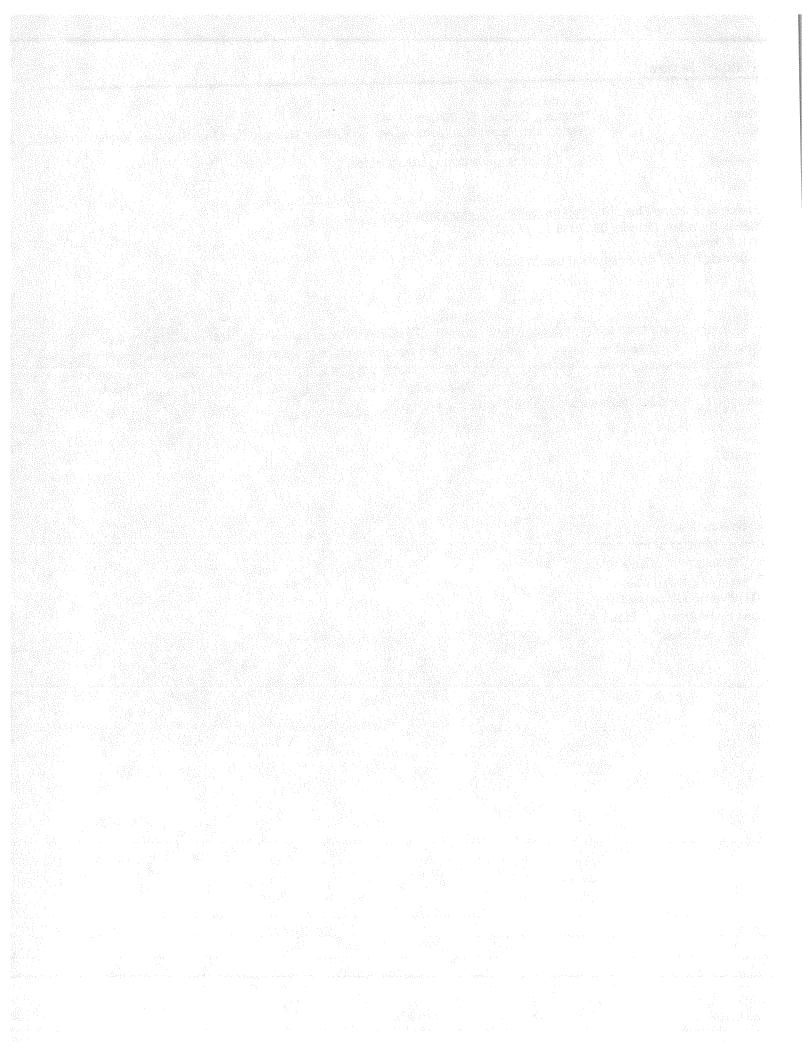
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From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Thursday, October 17, 2013 5:52 AM

To: Subject: Haklar, James; Molnar, William; Santella, Dennis; Schulz, Susan; Wienckoski, Ronald

FW: P.S. 49 Bronx smoking ballast and burning odor incidents

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Thursday, October 03, 2013 12:10 PM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 49 Bronx smoking ballast and burning odor incidents

John:

As a follow up to my previous email, 1 fixture containing 1 leaking pcb ballast was removed from room 106 (odor). 1 intact pcb ballast (smoker) and 2 non pcb ballast with historic staining was removed from room 204. Wipe samples were taken from room 204 and have been returned. Sample results are below the federal action level of 10 ug/cm². Both rooms will be re-occupied. Parent notification letters will be sent. We ventilated with a pedestal fan and blower unit.

The blower (max rating 980 cfm) ran for over 15 hours in the hallway that is 3,168 cuft. I used 700 cfm (in case the duct had a bend). 700 cfm x 900 minutes / 3,168 cuft = 198 air changes.

All ballast were Advance.

Let me know if you have any questions

Regards, Phil

From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Wednesday, October 02, 2013 3:53 PM **To:** 'Gorman, John' (Gorman.John@epa.gov)

Subject: P.S. 49 Bronx smoking ballast and burning odor incidents

John,

P.S. 049 located at 383 East 139th Street in the Bronx had a visibly smoking ballast in room #204 earlier today 6/25. There was also a report of a burning odor in room 106. Both rooms were immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Fixture removal and wipe samples will happen tonight. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit in room 204. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

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To: Gorman, John

Subject: P.S. 49 Bronx smoking ballast and burning odor incidents

John,

P.S. 049 located at 383 East 139th Street in the Bronx had a visibly smoking ballast in room #204 earlier today 6/25. There was also a report of a burning odor in room 106. Both rooms were immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Fixture removal and wipe samples will happen tonight. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit in room 204. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

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From:

Subject:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Thursday, October 17, 2013 5:52 AM

To:

Haklar, James; Molnar, William; Santella, Dennis; Schulz, Susan; Wienckoski, Ronald

FW: P.S. 105 Queens smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, October 02, 2013 10:21 AM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 105 Queens smoking ballast incident

John:

As a follow up to my previous email, 3 fixtures containing 1 leaking pcb ballast(smoker) and 1 non-pcb with historic stains and 1 non pcb ballast were removed from room 312. Wipe samples were taken and have been returned. Sample results are below the federal action level of 10 ug/cm². The room will be re-occupied. Parent notification letters were sent. We ventilated with a pedestal fan and blower unit.

The blower (max rating 980 cfm) has been running for over 16 hours in the room that is 5000 cuft. I used 700 cfm (in case the duct had a bend). 700 cfm \times 960 minutes / 5000 cuft = 134 air changes.

Smoking ballast info:

Westinghouse

Thermally protected

No manufacture date

Let me know if you have any questions

Regards, Phil

From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Tuesday, October 01, 2013 9:56 AM
To: 'Gorman, John' (Gorman.John@epa.gov)
Subject: P.S. 105 Queens smoking ballast incident

John,

P.S. 105 located at 420 Beach 51st Street in Queens had a visibly smoking ballast in classroom 312 this morning 10/1. The room was immediately secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Fixture removal and wipe samples will happen tonight. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards

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From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Thursday, October 17, 2013 5:51 AM

To:

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Susan; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

FW: P.S. 105 Queens smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, October 01, 2013 9:56 AM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: P.S. 105 Queens smoking ballast incident

John,

P.S. 105 located at 420 Beach 51st Street in Queens had a visibly smoking ballast in classroom 312 this morning 10/1. The room was immediately secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Fixture removal and wipe samples will happen tonight. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards

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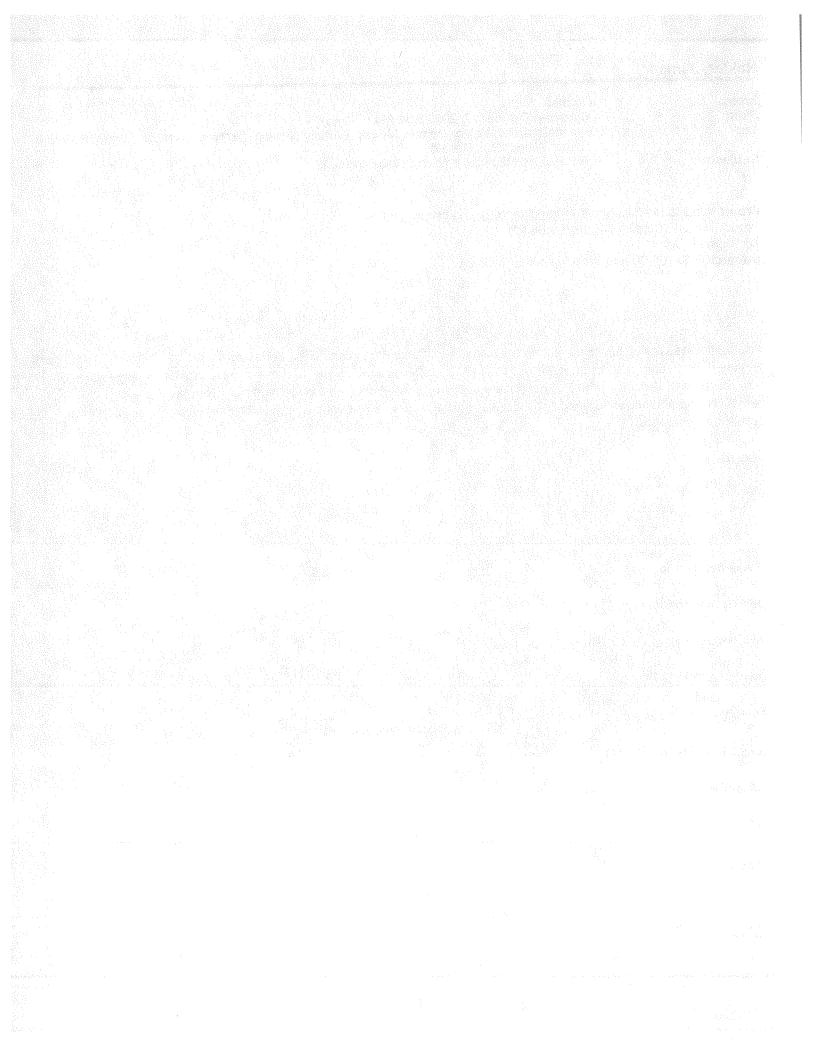
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From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Thursday, October 17, 2013 5:51 AM

To:

Haklar, James; Molnar, William; Santella, Dennis; Schulz, Susan; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

FW: P.S. 198 smoking ballast incident Thursday 9/26

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, October 01, 2013 9:31 AM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 198 smoking ballast incident Thursday 9/26

John:

As a follow up to my previous email, 1 fixture was removed from room the 1st floor hallway. The fixture consisted of 1 leaking PCB ballast. Wipe samples were taken and have been returned. Sample results are below the federal action level of 10 ug/cm². Parent notification letters will be sent. We ventilated with a pedestal fan and blower unit.

The blower (max rating 980 cfm) has been running for over 16 hours in the hallway that is 14,400 cuft. I used 700 cfm (in case the duct had a bend). 700 cfm x 960 minutes / 14,400 cuft = 46 air changes.

Smoking ballast info:

Advance

No manufacture date

No thermal protection

Let me know if you have any questions

Regards, Phil

From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Monday, September 30, 2013 3:46 PM To: 'Gorman, John' (Gorman, John@epa.gov)

Subject: P.S. 198 smoking ballast incident Thursday 9/26

Good afternoon John:

We just received a report from P.S. 198 located at 1180 Tinton Avenue in the Bronx of a visibly smoking ballast in the 1st floor corridor on Thursday 9/26. The custodian failed to follow protocol and did not notify us until today. The corridor was evacuated and ventilated at the time of occurrence but was re-occupied soon after. Fixture removal and wipe samples will happen tonight. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards, Phil Philip Napolitano
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From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Monday, September 30, 2013 3:47 PM

To:

Evangelista, Pat; Haklar, James; Molnar, William; Newton, Caroline; Santella, Dennis; Schulz,

Susan; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

FW: P.S. 198 smoking ballast incident Thursday 9/26

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Monday, September 30, 2013 3:46 PM

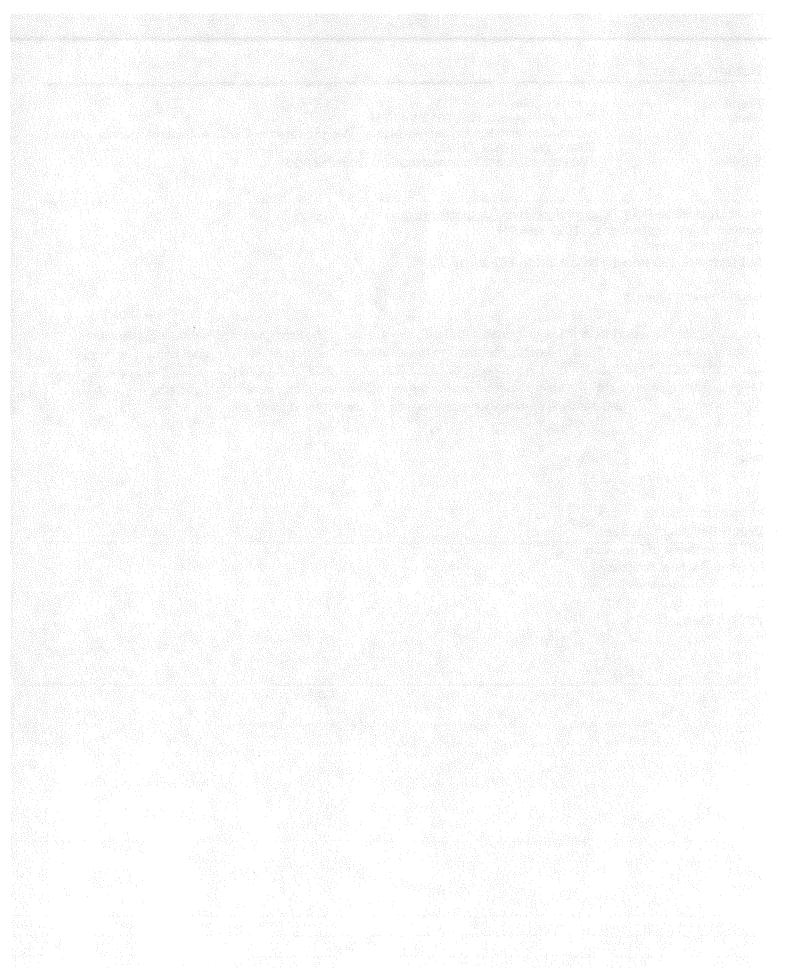
To: Gorman, John

Subject: P.S. 198 smoking ballast incident Thursday 9/26

Good afternoon John:

We just received a report from P.S. 198 located at 1180 Tinton Avenue in the Bronx of a visibly smoking ballast in the 1st floor corridor on Thursday 9/26. The custodian failed to follow protocol and did not notify us until today. The corridor was evacuated and ventilated at the time of occurrence but was re-occupied soon after. Fixture removal and wipe samples will happen tonight. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards, Phil



From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Monday, September 30, 2013 11:26 AM

To:

Haklar, James; Molnar, William; Santella, Dennis; Schulz, Susan; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

FW: P.S. 132 Bronx smoking ballast incident 9/26

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Monday, September 30, 2013 11:20 AM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 132 Bronx smoking ballast incident 9/26

John:

As a follow up to my previous email, 3 fixtures containing 3 leaking pcb ballasts were removed from room B-17. Wipe samples were taken and have been returned. Sample results are below the federal action level of 10 ug/cm². The room will be re-occupied. Parent notification letters were sent. We ventilated with a pedestal fan and blower unit.

The blower (max rating 980 cfm) has been running for over 24 hours in the room that is 6,000 cuft. I used 700 cfm (in case the duct had a bend). 700 cfm x 1440 minutes / 6,000 cuft = 168 air changes.

Smoking ballast info:

General Electric

Not thermally protected

No manufacture date

Let me know if you have any questions

Regards, Phil

From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Friday, September 27, 2013 9:33 AM To: 'Gorman, John' (Gorman, John@epa.qov)

Subject: P.S. 132 Bronx smoking ballast incident 9/26

John,

P.S. 132 located at 1245 Washington Avenue in the Bronx had a visibly smoking ballast in room #B17 last night 9/26. The room was immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Fixture removal and wipe samples will happen today. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. The

room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned. Regards Phil Philip Napolitano **Deputy Director of Facilities** NYC Department of Education **Division of School Facilities** 44-36 Vernon Boulevard Long Island City, N.Y. 11101 718 349 5583 tel

From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Monday, September 30, 2013 9:14 AM

To:

Haklar, James; Santella, Dennis; Schulz, Susan

Cc:

Molnar, William; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

FW: PS 206 Brooklyn 2 smoking ballast incidents 9/26

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Monday, September 30, 2013 9:10 AM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: PS 206 Brooklyn 2 smoking ballast incidents 9/26

Good afternoon John:

As a follow up to my previous email, 3 fixtures were removed from room 301, they contained 3 leaking PCB ballasts. 5 fixtures were removed from room 414, they contained 5 leaking PCB ballasts. Wipe samples were taken from both rooms and have been returned. All sample results are below the federal action level of 10 ug/cm². Both rooms will be reoccupied. Parent notification letters will be sent. We ventilated each room with a pedestal fan and blower unit.

Blower (max rating 980 cfm) has been running for over 22 hours in classroom 301 which is 10,100 cuft. I used 700 cfm (in case the duct had a bend). $700 \text{ cfm} \times 1320 \text{ minutes} / 10,100 \text{ cuft} = 91 \text{ air changes}$.

Blower (max rating 980 cfm) has been running for over 21 hours in classroom 414 which is 14,600 cuft. I used 700 cfm (in case the duct had a bend). $700 \text{ cfm} \times 1260 \text{ minutes} / 14,600 \text{ cuft} = 60 \text{ air changes}$.

Smoking ballast info

Both Ballasts were Universal No thermal protection No manufacture date

Let me know if you have any questions

Regards, Phil

From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Friday, September 27, 2013 9:36 AM

To: 'Gorman, John'

Subject: PS 206 Brooklyn 2 smoking ballast incidents 9/26

John:

P.S. 206 located at Gravesend Neck Road Brooklyn had 2 visibly smoking ballasts in classrooms 301 and 414 yesterday 9/26. The rooms were immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Our environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation and inspect/remove the fixture today. Wipe samples will be

taken as well. The rooms will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards Phil

From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Friday, September 27, 2013 3:27 PM

To:

Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Santella, Dennis; Evangelista, Pat; Newton, Caroline

Cc:

Molnar, William; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

FW: P.S. 864 Brooklyn smoking ballast incident

Fourth reported ballast incident at P.S. 864 in Brooklyn.

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Friday, September 27, 2013 8:24 AM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 864 Brooklyn smoking ballast incident

John:

As a follow up to my previous email, 1 row was inspected and removed from room 304. The row consisted of 3 fixtures and 3 ballasts, 1 leaking PCB ballast (smoking) and 2 NONPCB ballasts with historic staining. Wipe samples were taken and have been returned. Sample results are below the federal action level of 10 ug/cm². The room will be re-occupied. Parent notification letters will be sent. We ventilated with a pedestal fan and blower unit.

The blower (max rating 980 cfm) has been running for over 24 hours in the classroom that is 8500 cuft. I used 700 cfm (in case the duct had a bend). 700 cfm \times 1440 minutes / 8500 cuft = 118 air changes.

Smoking ballast info was not provided.

Let me know if you have any questions

Regards, Phil

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From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Friday, September 20, 2013 8:29 AM
To: 'Gorman, John' (Gorman, John@epa.gov)
Subject: P.S. 864 Brooklyn smoking ballast incident

John:

P.S. 864 located at 3109 Newkirk Avenue Brooklyn had a visibly smoking ballast in classroom 304 yesterday afternoon 9/19. The room was empty at the time of occurrence. The room has been secured and a fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Our environmental contractor will inspect/remove the fixture today. Wipe samples will be taken as well. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards Phil Philip Napolitano
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From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Friday, September 27, 2013 3:25 PM

To:

Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Santella, Dennis; Evangelista, Pat; Newton, Caroline

Cc: Subject: Molnar, William; Wienckoski, Ronald FW: P.S. 6 Bronx smoking ballast incident

Fourth reported ballast incident at P.S. 6 in the Bronx.

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.qov]

Sent: Friday, September 27, 2013 8:37 AM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 6 Bronx smoking ballast incident

John:

As a follow up to my previous email, 3 fixtures containing 2 leaking pcb ballasts and 1 intact pcb ballast were removed from room 214. Wipe samples were taken and have been returned. Sample results are below the federal action level of 10 ug/cm². The room will be re-occupied. Parent notification letters were sent. We ventilated with a pedestal fan and blower unit.

The blower (max rating 980 cfm) has been running for over 12 hours in the room that is 9570 cuft. I used 700 cfm (in case the duct had a bend). 700 cfm x 720 minutes / 9570 cuft = 52 air changes.

Smoking ballast info:

Universal

Not thermally protected

No manufacture date

Let me know if you have any questions

Regards,

Phil

From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Tuesday, September 24, 2013 12:47 PM
To: 'Gorman, John' (Gorman, John@epa.gov)
Subject: P.S. 6 Bronx smoking ballast incident

Good afternoon John:

P.S. 006 located at 1000 East Tremont Avenue in the Bronx had a visibly smoking ballast in classroom #214 earlier today 9/24. The room was immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. Fixture removal and wipe samples will happen today. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

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Phil

Philip Napolitano

Deputy Director of Facilities

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From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Friday, September 27, 2013 3:23 PM

To:

Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Santella, Dennis; Evangelista, Pat; Newton, Caroline

Cc: Subject:

Molnar, William; Wienckoski, Ronald

FW: P.S. 132 Bronx smoking ballast incident 9/26

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Friday, September 27, 2013 9:33 AM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: P.S. 132 Bronx smoking ballast incident 9/26

John,

P.S. 132 located at 1245 Washington Avenue in the Bronx had a visibly smoking ballast in room #B17 last night 9/26. The room was immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Fixture removal and wipe samples will happen today. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards

Phil

Philip Napolitano

Deputy Director of Facilities

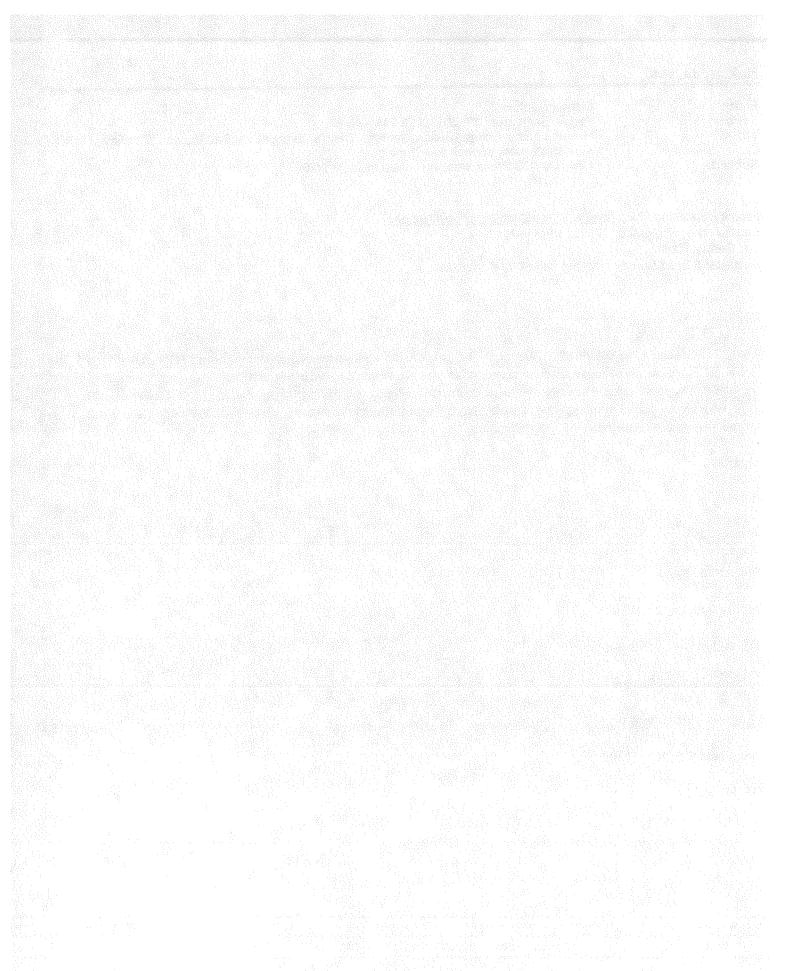
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From: Gorman, John

Sent: Friday, September 27, 2013 3:21 PM

To: Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Santella, Dennis; Evangelista, Pat; Newton, Caroline

Cc: Molnar, William; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject: FW: PS 206 Brooklyn 2 smoking ballast incidents 9/26

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Friday, September 27, 2013 9:36 AM

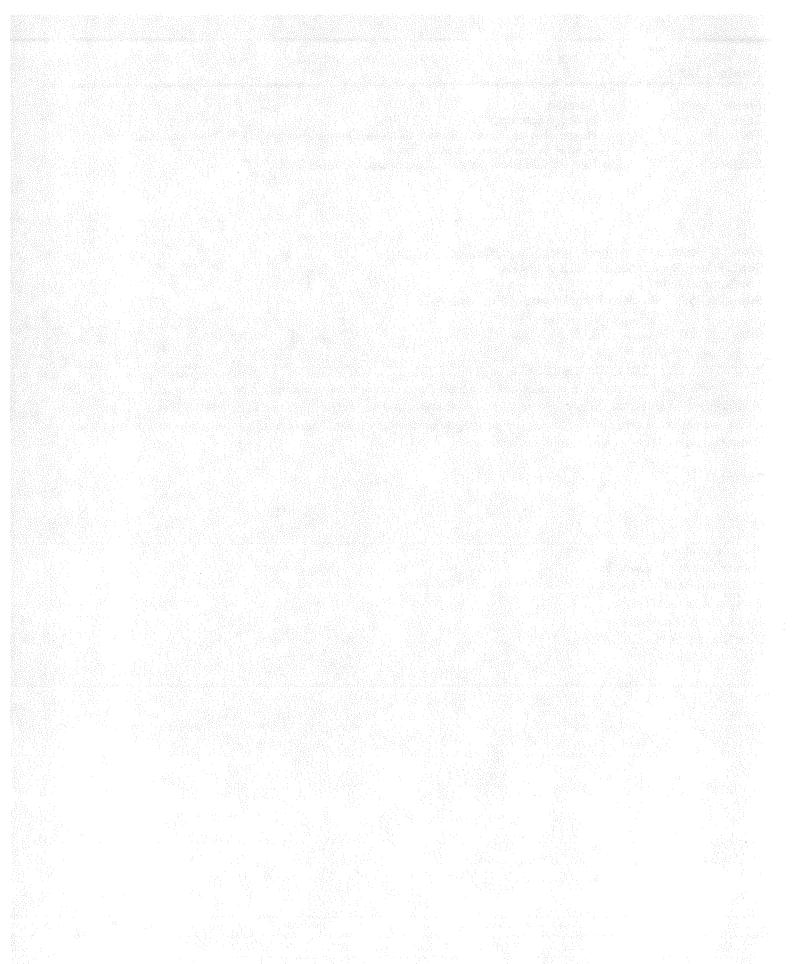
To: Gorman, John

Subject: PS 206 Brooklyn 2 smoking ballast incidents 9/26

John:

P.S. 206 located at Gravesend Neck Road Brooklyn had 2 visibly smoking ballasts in classrooms 301 and 414 yesterday 9/26. The rooms were immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Our environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation and inspect/remove the fixture today. Wipe samples will be taken as well. The rooms will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards Phil



From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Tuesday, September 24, 2013 12:53 PM

To:

Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Santella, Dennis; Evangelista, Pat; Newton, Caroline

Cc: Subject: Molnar, William; Wienckoski, Ronald FW: P.S. 6 Bronx smoking ballast incident

Third reported ballast issue at P.S. 006 in the Bronx.

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, September 24, 2013 12:47 PM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: P.S. 6 Bronx smoking ballast incident

Good afternoon John:

P.S. 006 located at 1000 East Tremont Avenue in the Bronx had a visibly smoking ballast in classroom #214 earlier today 9/24. The room was immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. Fixture removal and wipe samples will happen today. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards

Phil

Philip Napolitano

Deputy Director of Facilities

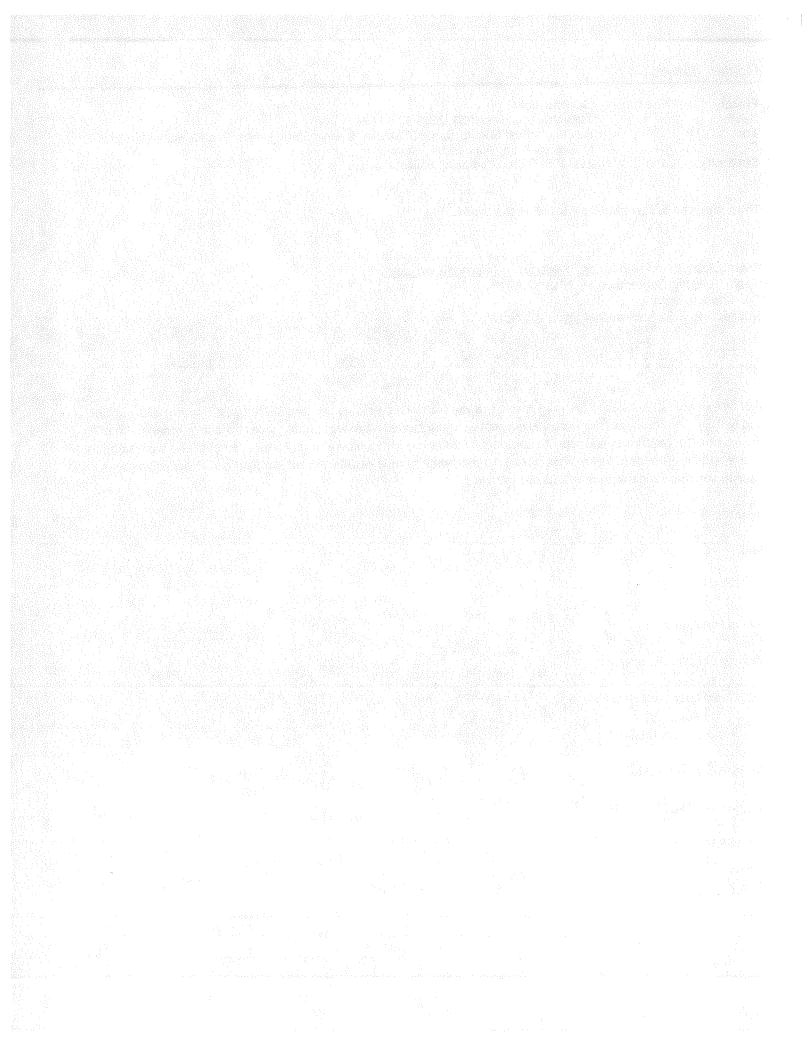
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From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Monday, September 23, 2013 12:05 PM

To:

Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Santella, Dennis

Subject:

FW: P.S. 70 Bronx leaking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Monday, September 23, 2013 11:51 AM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 70 Bronx leaking ballast incident

John:

As a follow up to my previous email, 3 fixtures containing 2 leaking pcb ballasts, and 1 non pcb ballast with historic staining was removed from room 401. Our environmental contractor cleaned a one square foot area on the floor beneath the fixture. A total of 3 wipe samples were taken from the impacted floor after the cleaning. All wipe samples have been returned and results are below the detection limit thus below the federal action level of 10 ug/cm². The room will be re-occupied. Parent notification letters will be sent. We ventilated with a pedestal fan and blower unit.

The blower (max rating 980 cfm) has been running for over 96 hours in the room that is 9,240 cuft. I used 700 cfm (in case the duct had a bend). 700 cfm x 5760 minutes / 9,240 cuft = 436 air changes.

Leaking ballast info was not provided.

Let me know if you have any questions

Regards, Phil

From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Wednesday, September 18, 2013 1:57 PM **To:** 'Gorman, John' (Gorman, John@epa.gov) Subject: P.S. 70 Bronx leaking ballast incident

Good afternoon John:

P.S. 70 located at 1691 Weeks Avenue in the Bronx had a smoking/leaking ballast in room 401 yesterday afternoon 9/17. The room was immediately evacuated and secured. The leak was reported on the classroom's floor. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Our environmental contractor will begin the cleaning process tonight. They will also provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. Wipe samples will be taken from the impacted area once cleaning is complete. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards, Phil

From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Friday, September 20, 2013 8:12 PM

To:

Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Santella, Dennis

Cc:

Molnar, William, Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

Fw: P.S. 49 Bronx smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip < PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov>

Sent: Friday, September 20, 2013 12:00:11 PM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 49 Bronx smoking ballast incident

John:

As a follow up to my previous email, 1 row was inspected and removed from room 342. The row consisted of 3 leaking PCB ballasts. Wipe samples were taken and have been returned. Sample results are below the federal action level of 10 ug/cm². The room will be re-occupied. Parent notification letters will be sent. We ventilated with a pedestal fan and blower unit.

The blower (max rating 980 cfm) has been running for 16 hours in the classroom that is 2,880 cuft. I used 700 cfm (in case the duct had a bend). 700 cfm \times 960 minutes \times 2,880 cuft = 233 air changes.

Smoking ballast info:

Universal manufacturing

No thermal protection

No manufacture date

Let me know if you have any questions

Regards, Phil

From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Thursday, September 19, 2013 11:17 AM

To: 'Gorman, John'

Subject: P.S. 49 Bronx smoking ballast incident

John,

P.S. 049 located at 383 East 139th Street in the Bronx had a visibly smoking ballast in room #342 earlier today 9/19. The room was immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Fixture removal and wipe samples will happen tonight. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards

Phil

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	Remote	Ballast Panels		
Borough	Bldg. ID	Comments		
Bk North	16K081	4 Panels; 2 on each floor, 3rd & 4th Fl. Hallways. (T12 building upgrade to begin in Fall 2013)		
Bk North	19K328	6 Panels (All ballasts were removed by SCA Summer 2013)		
Bk South	21K303	1 ballast panel located in room 144. School was converted to T8's in 2011.		
Bk South	21K370	1 panel located in 2nd floor hallway for audioturium light fixtures.		
Bronx	11X160	Rm. 224 & 330 2 panels.		
Bronx	11X455	1 Panel.		
Bronx	09X126	4 panels; 2 on each floor. 1st and 2nd floors		
Bronx	12X047	2 Panels located in Auditorium		
Manhattan	05M030	6 panels; 2 on each floor. 2nd, 3rd and 4th floors		
Queens	26Q430	1 panel located in gymnasium		
Queens	25Q025	Room B28, 1 Panel		
Queens	30Q017	3 Racks located in gymnasium		
Queens	28Q174	1 Panel located in gymnasium		
Staten Island	31R032	4 panels; 2 on each floor. 2nd and 3rd floors		
Bk North	15K834	Remote ballasts located on stage power gymnsaium lights T12 building (SCA upgrade in progress)		

Bk North	23K332	4 panels located in the hallways. T12 ballasts have been removed this summer by SCA		
Bk North	14K084	2 panels. 1 located in 249 bathroom. 1 located in 255 bathroom.		

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From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Friday, September 20, 2013 8:10 PM

To:

Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Santella, Dennis; Newton, Caroline

Subject:

Fw: Remote ballast panel information

Attachments:

Copy of Remote ballast panels EPA 9-20-13.xlsx

From: Napolitano Philip < PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov>

Sent: Friday, September 20, 2013 1:04:39 PM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: Remote ballast panel information

John,

Two ballast panels were reported in K084 this morning. I added K084 to the attached spreadsheet. Our environmental contractor will inspect on Monday and we will prioritize removals based on the findings. I will keep you posted.

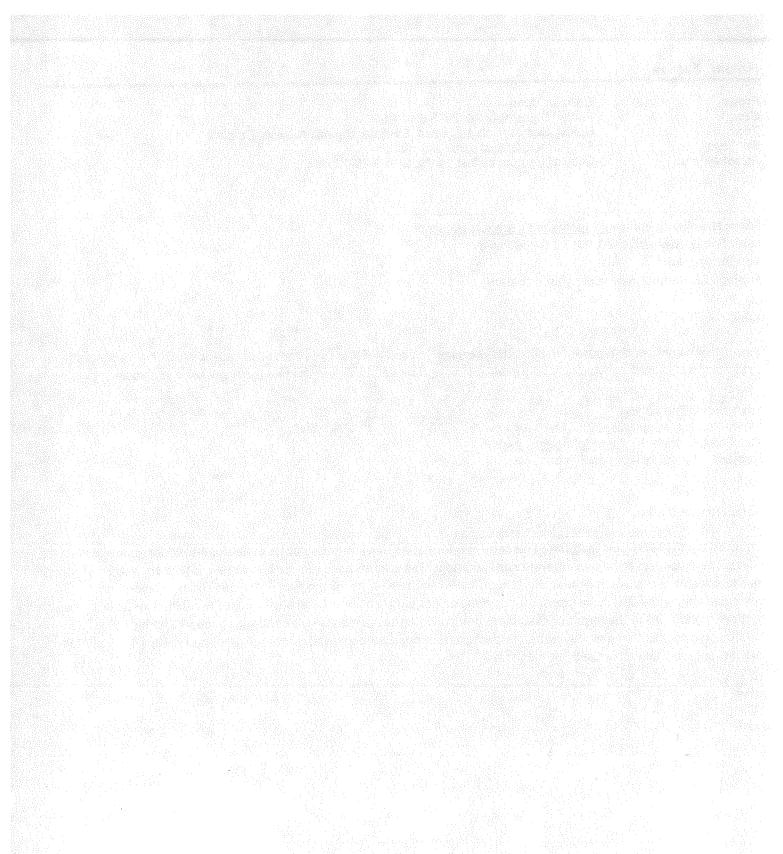
From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Monday, August 26, 2013 12:10 PM
To: 'Gorman, John' (Gorman.John@epa.gov)
Subject: Remote ballast panel information

Good afternoon John,

Attached is a list of schools that, based on current information, have remote ballast panels or individual remote ballast boxes. There appears to be two different configurations. Ten schools have remote ballast panels that are in the hallway which control the classroom lighting. Six schools have remote ballasts for the gym or the auditorium. Other than custodian engineer visual inspections, we currently do not have a plan to internally inspect the cabinets or ballast boxes in these schools. As in the past, our custodians and skilled trades personnel will continue to report specific ballast failures or instances that may warrant an inspection from our environmental contractor. Moving forward, I will update you if there are changes to the attached list.

Regards, Phil



From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Friday, September 20, 2013 9:01 AM

To:

Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Newton, Caroline; Santella, Dennis; Evangelista, Pat; Molnar,

William; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

Fw: P.S. 864 Brooklyn smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip < PNapolitano 2@schools.nyc.gov>

Sent: Friday, September 20, 2013 8:29:26 AM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: P.S. 864 Brooklyn smoking ballast incident

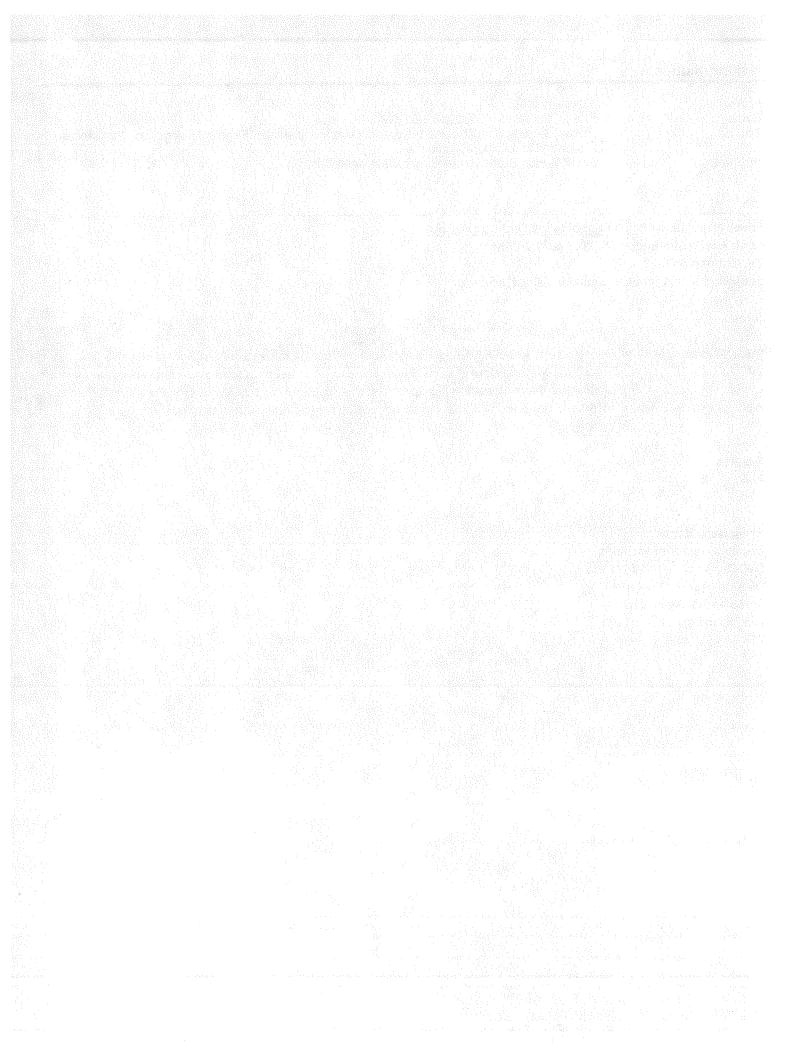
John:

P.S. 864 located at 3109 Newkirk Avenue Brooklyn had a visibly smoking ballast in classroom 304 yesterday afternoon 9/19. The room was empty at the time of occurrence. The room has been secured and a fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Our environmental contractor will inspect/remove the fixture today. Wipe samples will be taken as well. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards Phil

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From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Thursday, September 19, 2013 11:17 AM

To: Subject: Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Santella, Dennis FW: P.S. 23 Staten Island smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Thursday, September 19, 2013 11:11 AM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 23 Staten Island smoking ballast incident

John:

As a follow up to my previous email, 3 fixtures were inspected and found to contain 3 leaking pcb ballasts from room 303. Wipe samples were taken and have been returned. Sample results are below the federal action level of 10 ug/cm². The classroom will be re-occupied. Parent notification letters will be sent. We ventilated with a pedestal fan and a blower unit.

The blower (max rating 980 cfm) has been running for over 24 hours in the classroom that is 6,500 cuft. I used 700 cfm (in case the ducts had a bend). 700 cfm x 1440 minutes / 6,500 cuft = 155 air changes.

Smoking ballast info:

Universal

No manufacture date

No Thermal protection

Let me know if you have any questions

Regards, Phil

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From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Tuesday, September 17, 2013 2:14 PM **To:** 'Gorman, John' (Gorman.John@epa.gov)

Subject: P.S. 23 Staten Island smoking ballast incident

Good afternoon John,

P.S. 023 located at 30 Natick Street in Staten Island had a visibly smoking ballast in classroom 303 this afternoon 9/17. The room was immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Our environmental contractor will inspect/remove the fixture tomorrow. They will also provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. Wipe samples will be taken as well. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards, Phil

From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Thursday, September 19, 2013 11:20 AM

To:

Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Santella, Dennis; Evangelista, Pat; Newton, Caroline; Molnar,

William; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

FW: P.S. 49 Bronx smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Thursday, September 19, 2013 11:17 AM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: P.S. 49 Bronx smoking ballast incident

John,

P.S. 049 located at 383 East 139th Street in the Bronx had a visibly smoking ballast in room #342 earlier today 9/19. The room was immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Fixture removal and wipe samples will happen tonight. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards

Phil

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From: Gorman, John

Sent: Wednesday, September 18, 2013 2:31 PM

To: Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Santella, Dennis; Evangelista, Pat; Newton, Caroline; Molnar,

William; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject: FW: P.S. 70 Bronx leaking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, September 18, 2013 1:57 PM

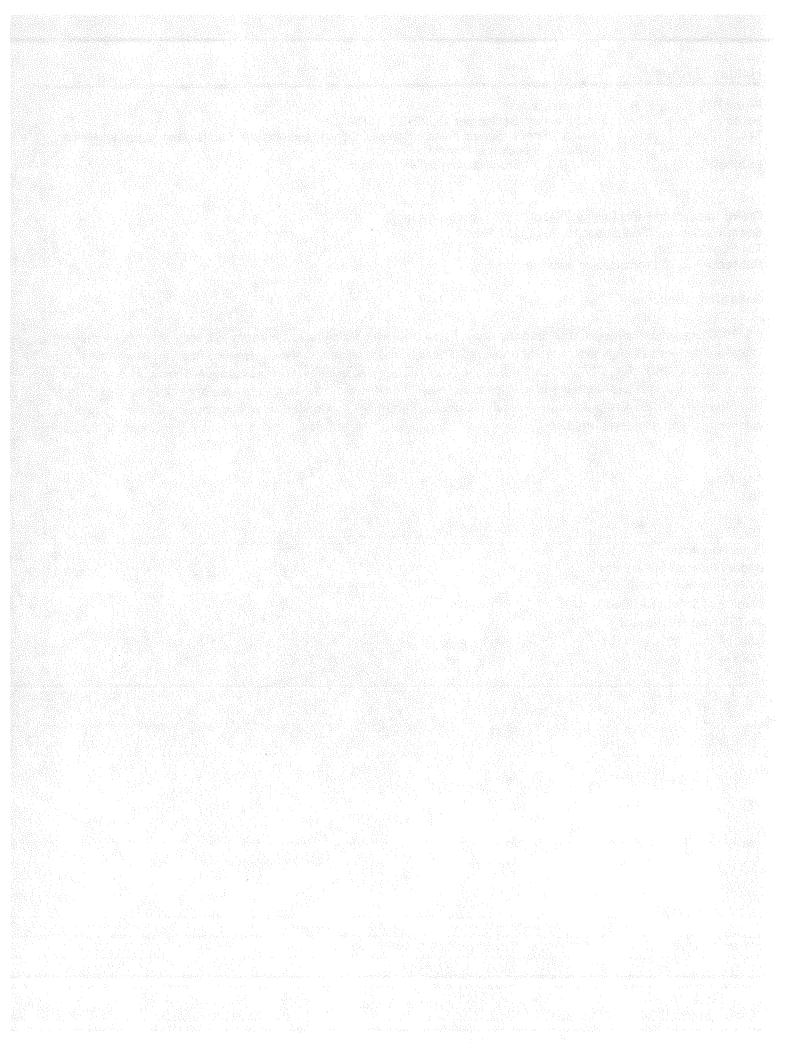
To: Gorman, John

Subject: P.S. 70 Bronx leaking ballast incident

Good afternoon John:

P.S. 70 located at 1691 Weeks Avenue in the Bronx had a smoking/leaking ballast in room 401 yesterday afternoon 9/17. The room was immediately evacuated and secured. The leak was reported on the classroom's floor. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Our environmental contractor will begin the cleaning process tonight. They will also provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. Wipe samples will be taken from the impacted area once cleaning is complete. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards, Phil



From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Thursday, September 19, 2013 8:43 AM

To: Subject: Haklar, James RE: PCB Leak 72M

Sure.

From: Haklar, James

Sent: Thursday, September 19, 2013 8:18 AM

To: Gorman, John **Cc:** Schulz, Susan

Subject: RE: PCB Leak 72M

Can I call Phil to ask about this incident?

From: Gorman, John

Sent: Wednesday, September 18, 2013 11:52 AM

To: Haklar, James **Cc:** Schulz, Susan

Subject: Re: PCB Leak 72M

I haven't heard anything yet.

From: Haklar, James

Sent: Wednesday, September 18, 2013 11:36:23 AM

To: Gorman, John Cc: Schulz, Susan

Subject: FW: PCB Leak 72M

Did you hear from Phil this morning about an incident at PS 72M? The union is inquiring.

From: Lacey Keller [mailto:LKeller@seiu32bj.org]
Sent: Wednesday, September 18, 2013 11:16 AM

To: Haklar, James Subject: PCB Leak 72M

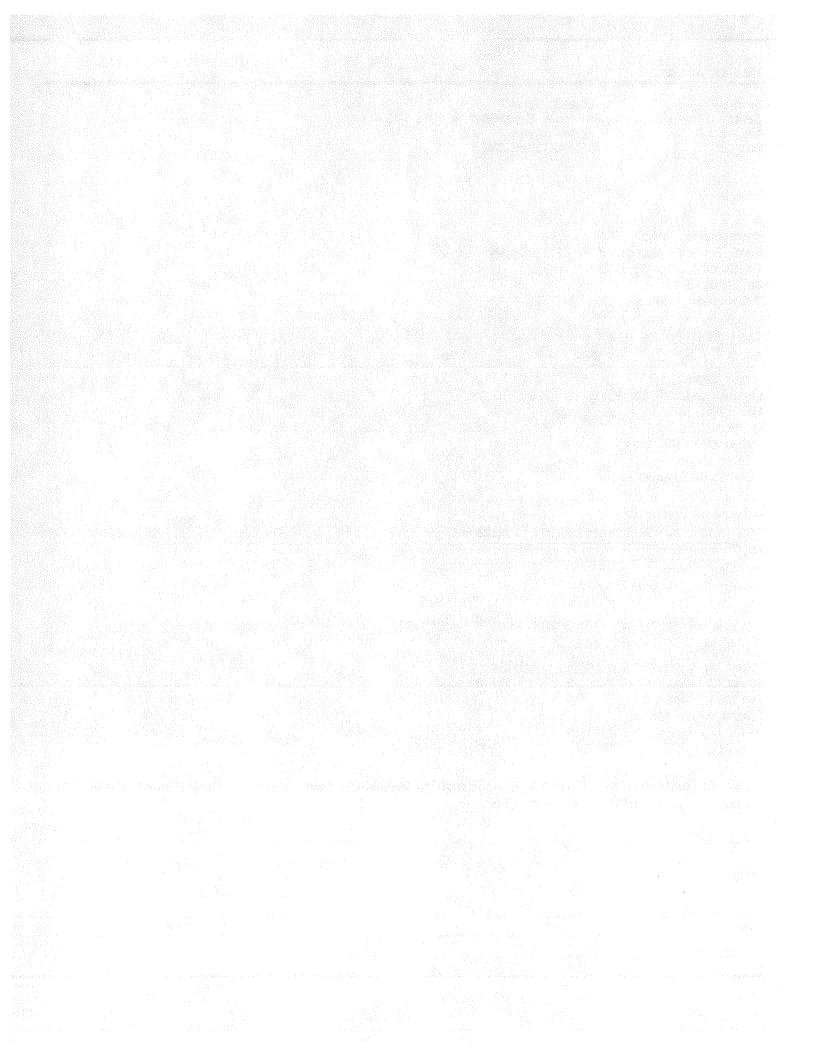
Hi James,

We've been told there was a PCB leak at 72M this morning. The building manager accidentally mentioned something to our staff, but we have little details beyond that.

Thanks!

LK

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From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Tuesday, September 17, 2013 2:30 PM

To:

Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Santella, Dennis; Evangelista, Pat; Newton, Caroline; Molnar,

William; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

FW: P.S. 23 Staten Island smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, September 17, 2013 2:14 PM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: P.S. 23 Staten Island smoking ballast incident

Good afternoon John,

P.S. 023 located at 30 Natick Street in Staten Island had a visibly smoking ballast in classroom 303 this afternoon 9/17. The room was immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Our environmental contractor will inspect/remove the fixture tomorrow. They will also provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. Wipe samples will be taken as well. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards, Phil

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From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Wednesday, September 18, 2013 11:52 AM

To: Cc: Haklar, James Schulz, Susan

Subject:

Re: PCB Leak 72M

I haven't heard anything yet.

From: Haklar, James

Sent: Wednesday, September 18, 2013 11:36:23 AM

To: Gorman, John Cc: Schulz, Susan

Subject: FW: PCB Leak 72M

Did you hear from Phil this morning about an incident at PS 72M? The union is inquiring.

From: Lacey Keller [mailto:LKeller@seiu32bj.org]
Sent: Wednesday, September 18, 2013 11:16 AM

To: Haklar, James

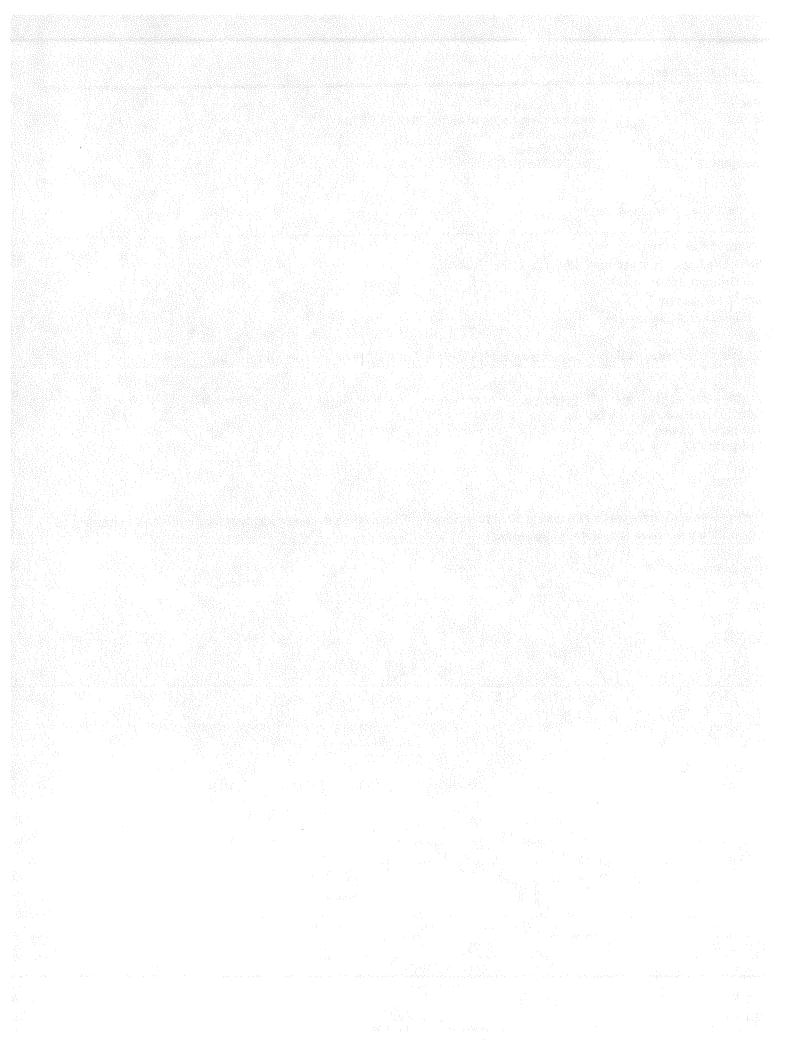
Subject: PCB Leak 72M

Hi James,

We've been told there was a PCB leak at 72M this morning. The building manager accidentally mentioned something to our staff, but we have little details beyond that.

Thanks!

LK



From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Tuesday, September 17, 2013 11:11 AM

To:

Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Santella, Dennis; Evangelista, Pat; Newton, Caroline; Molnar,

William; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

FW: P.S. 42 Staten Island smoking T8 ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, September 17, 2013 11:03 AM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: P.S. 42 Staten Island smoking T8 ballast incident

John:

P.S. 42 located at 380 Genesee Avenue in Staten Island had a visibly smoking T8 ballast in room 309 yesterday 9/16. The room was immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. The environmental contractor inspected the fixture last night and found an intact NON PCB ballast with no leaks or stains. We did not take wipe samples. Parent notification letters will be sent.

Regards,

Phil

Philip Napolitano

Deputy Director of Facilities

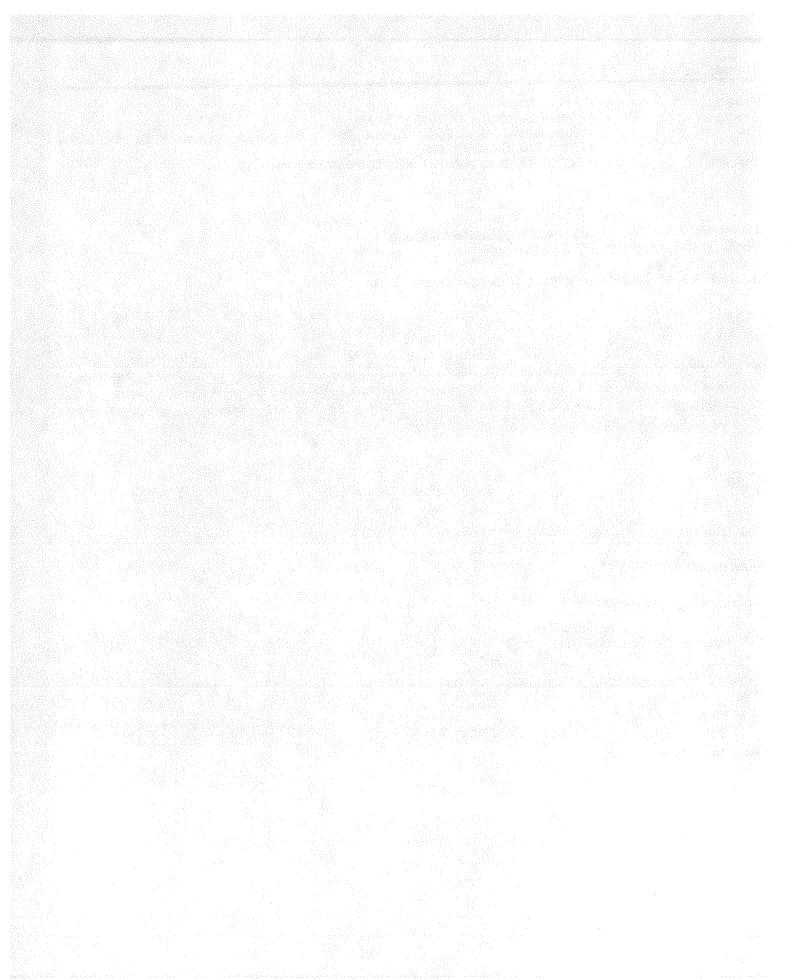
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From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Tuesday, September 17, 2013 8:50 AM

To:

Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Santella, Dennis; Molnar, William; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

FW: P.S. 185 Queens smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, September 17, 2013 8:40 AM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 185 Queens smoking ballast incident

John:

As a follow up to my previous email, 3 fixtures were inspected and found to contain 3 intact pcb ballasts with no stains or leaks observed from room 305. Wipe samples were taken and have been returned. Sample results are below the federal action level of 10 ug/cm². The classroom will be re-occupied. Parent notification letters will be sent. We ventilated with a pedestal fan and a blower unit.

The blower (max rating 980 cfm) has been running for over 48 hours in the classroom that is 8,500 cuft. I used 700 cfm (in case the ducts had a bend). 700 cfm x 2880 minutes / 8,500 cuft = 237 air changes.

Smoking ballast info:

Advance

No manufacture date

Thermally protected

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Let me know if you have any questions

Regards, Phil

From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Thursday, September 12, 2013 2:26 PM

To: 'Gorman, John'

Subject: P.S. 185 Queens smoking ballast incident

John:

P.S. 185 located at 147-26 25 Drive in Queens had a visibly smoking ballast in room 305 today 9/12. The room was immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. Fixture removal and wipe samples will happen tonight. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards Phil

From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Friday, September 13, 2013 10:48 AM

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To:

Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Santella, Dennis; Molnar, William; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

Fw: P.S. 161 Bronx smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip < PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov>

Sent: Friday, September 13, 2013 10:41:45 AM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 161 Bronx smoking ballast incident

John:

As a follow up to my previous email, 1 fixture containing 1 leaking pcb ballast was removed from the cafeteria. Wipe samples were taken and have been returned. Sample results are below the federal action level of 10 ug/cm². The cafeteria will be re-occupied. Parent notification letters will be sent. We ventilated with a pedestal fan and two blower units.

The blowers (max rating 980 cfm) have been running for over 17 hours in the cafeteria that is 30,000 cuft. I used 1400 cfm (for the 2 blowers) (in case the ducts had a bend). 1400 cfm x 1020 minutes / 30,000 cuft = 47 air changes.

Smoking ballast info:

Universal

No manufacture date

No thermal protection

Let me know if you have any questions

Regards,

Phil

From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Thursday, September 12, 2013 2:21 PM
To: "Gorman, John' (Gorman.John@epa.gov)'
Subject: P.S. 161 Bronx smoking ballast incident

John:

P.S. 161 located at 628 Tinton Avenue in the Bronx had a visibly smoking ballast in the cafeteria earlier today 9/12. The cafeteria was immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Our environmental contractor will inspect/remove the fixture today. They will also provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. Wipe samples will be taken as well. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards, Phil

From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Thursday, September 12, 2013 2:29 PM

To:

Haklar, James; Santella, Dennis; Newton, Caroline; Schulz, Susan; LaPosta, Dore:

Evangelista, Pat; Molnar, William; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

FW: P.S. 185 Queens smoking ballast incident

This is the fourth reported ballast failure at P.S. 185 in Queens.

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Thursday, September 12, 2013 2:26 PM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: P.S. 185 Queens smoking ballast incident

John:

P.S. 185 located at 147-26 25 Drive in Queens had a visibly smoking ballast in room 305 today 9/12. The room was immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. Fixture removal and wipe samples will happen tonight. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards Phil

From: Gorman, John

Sent: Thursday, September 12, 2013 2:26 PM

To: Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Newton, Caroline; Santella, Dennis; Evangelista, Pat; Molnar,

William; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject: FW: P.S. 161 Bronx smoking ballast incident

Second ballast incident this month for P.S. 161 in the Bronx.

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Thursday, September 12, 2013 2:21 PM

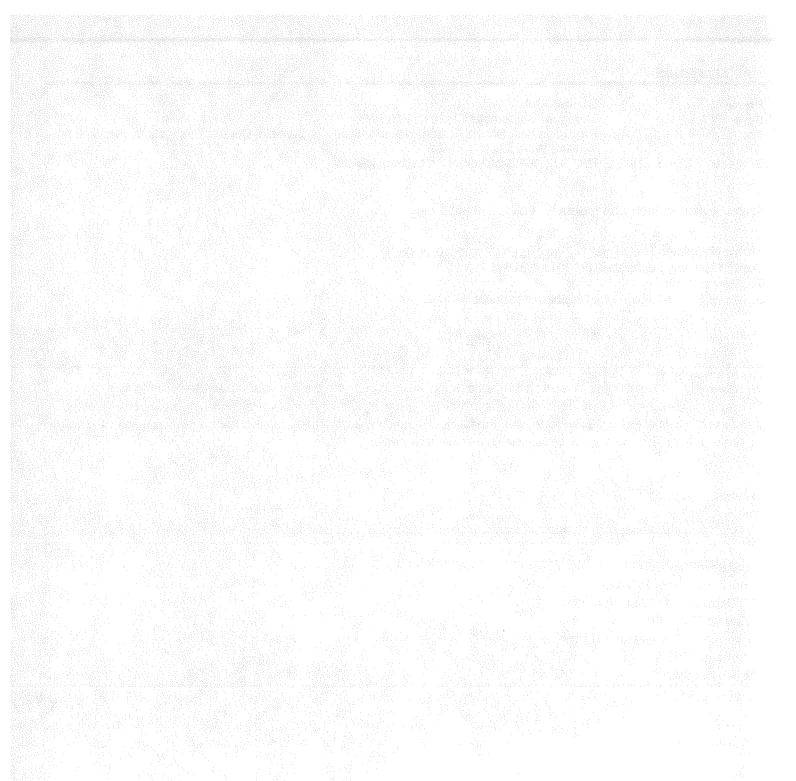
To: Gorman, John

Subject: P.S. 161 Bronx smoking ballast incident

John:

P.S. 161 located at 628 Tinton Avenue in the Bronx had a visibly smoking ballast in the cafeteria earlier today 9/12. The cafeteria was immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Our environmental contractor will inspect/remove the fixture today. They will also provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. Wipe samples will be taken as well. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards, Phil



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From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Thursday, September 12, 2013 2:08 PM

To:

Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Santella, Dennis; Molnar, William; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

FW: P.S. 278 Brooklyn smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Thursday, September 12, 2013 2:05 PM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 278 Brooklyn smoking ballast incident

John:

As a follow up to my previous email, 2 fixtures were inspected and found to contain 1 intact PCB ballast (smoke) and 1 non pcb ballast from room 209. Wipe samples were taken and have been returned. Sample results are below the federal action level of 10 ug/cm². The room will be re-occupied. Parent notification letters will be sent. We ventilated with a pedestal fan and blower unit.

The blower (max rating 980 cfm) has been running for over 24 hours in the room that is 9,600 cuft. I used 700 cfm (in case the duct had a bend). $700 \text{ cfm} \times 1440 \text{ minutes} / 9,600 \text{ cuft} = 105 \text{ air changes}$.

Smoking ballast info:

Universal

No manufacture date

No thermal protection

Let me know if you have any questions

Regards, Phil

From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Tuesday, September 10, 2013 1:22 PM

To: 'Gorman, John'

Subject: P.S. 278 Brooklyn smoking ballast incident

John:

P.S. 278 located at 1925 Stuart Street in Brooklyn had a visibly smoking ballast in room 209 earlier today 9/10. The room was immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Our environmental contractor will inspect/remove the fixture tomorrow. They will also provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. Wipe samples will be taken as well. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards,

Phil

From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Thursday, September 12, 2013 2:02 PM

To:

Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Santella, Dennis; Molnar, William; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

FW: P.S. 185 Queens smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Thursday, September 12, 2013 1:58 PM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 185 Queens smoking ballast incident

John:

As a follow up to my previous email, 5 fixtures were inspected and found to contain 2 leaking PCB ballasts(1 smoked) and 3 intact PCB ballast from room 203. Wipe samples were taken and have been returned. Sample results are below the federal action level of 10 ug/cm². The room will be re-occupied. Parent notification letters will be sent. We ventilated with a pedestal fan and blower unit.

The blower (max rating 980 cfm) has been running for over 24 hours in the room that is 10,800 cuft. I used 700 cfm (in case the duct had a bend). 700 cfm x 1440 minutes / 10,800 cuft = 93 air changes.

Smoking ballast info was not provided

Let me know if you have any questions

Regards, Phil

From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Tuesday, September 10, 2013 9:12 AM

To: 'Gorman, John'

Subject: P.S. 185 Queens smoking ballast incident

John:

P.S. 185 located at 147-26 25 Drive in Queens had a visibly smoking ballast in room 203 today 9/10. The room was immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. Fixture removal and wipe samples will happen tonight. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards Phil

Philip Napolitano
Deputy Director of Facilities
NYC Department of Education
Division of School Facilities
44-36 Vernon Boulevard

Long Island City, N.Y. 11101 718 349 5583 tel

From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Wednesday, September 11, 2013 11:33 AM

To:

Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Santella, Dennis; Molnar, William; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

FW: P.S. 19 Bronx smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, September 11, 2013 11:32 AM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 19 Bronx smoking ballast incident

John:

As a follow up to my previous email, 1 fixture was inspected and found to contain 1 leaking PCB ballast from Staircase #7. Wipe samples were taken and have been returned. Sample results are below the federal action level of 10 ug/cm². The staircase will be re-occupied. Parent notification letters will be sent. We ventilated with a pedestal fan and blower unit.

The blower (max rating 980 cfm) has been running for over 12 hours in the staircase that is 3,000 cuft. I used 700 cfm (in case the duct had a bend). 700 cfm x 720 minutes / 3,000 cuft = 168 air changes.

Smoking ballast info was not provided. The label was burnt off.

Let me know if you have any questions

Regards, Phil

From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Tuesday, September 10, 2013 3:26 PM
To: 'Gorman, John' (Gorman, John@epa.gov)
Subject: P.S. 19 Bronx smoking ballast incident

John:

P.S. 19 located at 4318 Katonah Avenue in the Bronx had a visibly smoking ballast in staircase #7 this afternoon 9/10. The staircase doors were immediately closed with caution tape (we did not lock the doors). A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation and the exit doors are open. Fixture removal and wipe samples will happen tonight. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. The staircase will remain closed pending wipe sample results. The school administration was directed that in the event of a building emergency the staircase can be used. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards,

Phil

From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Wednesday, September 11, 2013 11:26 AM

To: Subject:

Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Santella, Dennis; Molnar, William; Wienckoski, Ronald

FW: P.S. 116 Queens smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.qov]

Sent: Wednesday, September 11, 2013 11:16 AM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 116 Queens smoking ballast incident

John:

As a follow up to my previous email, 1 fixture was inspected and found to contain 1 leaking PCB ballast from the boiler room. Wipe samples were taken and have been returned. Sample results are below the federal action level of 10 ug/cm². The boiler room will be re-occupied. Parent notification letters will be sent. We ventilated with a pedestal fan and blower unit.

The blower (max rating 980 cfm) has been running for over 41 hours in the room that is 67,000 cuft. I used 700 cfm (in case the duct had a bend). 700 cfm x 2460 minutes / 67,000 cuft = 25 air changes.

Smoking ballast info was not provided

Let me know if you have any questions

Regards, Phil

From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Monday, September 09, 2013 4:21 PM
To: 'Gorman, John' (Gorman, John@epa.gov)

Subject: P.S. 116 Queens smoking ballast incident

Good afternoon John:

P.S. 116 in Queens had a visibly smoking ballast in the boiler room this afternoon 9/9. The boiler room was immediately secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Our environmental contractor will inspect/remove the fixture tomorrow. They will also provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. Wipe samples will be taken as well. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards, Phil

Philip Napolitano
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From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Tuesday, September 10, 2013 3:43 PM

To:

Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Santella, Dennis; Molnar, William; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

FW: P.S. 161 Bronx smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, September 10, 2013 3:36 PM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: RE: P.S. 161 Bronx smoking ballast incident

John:

As a follow up to my previous email, one fixture was inspected and found to contain 1 intact NONPCB ballast with no staining. Wipe samples were not taken. The room will be re-occupied. Parent notification letters will be sent. We ventilated with a pedestal fan and blower unit to remove any lingering odor.

Smoking ballast was NONPCB

Let me know if you have any questions

Regards, Phil

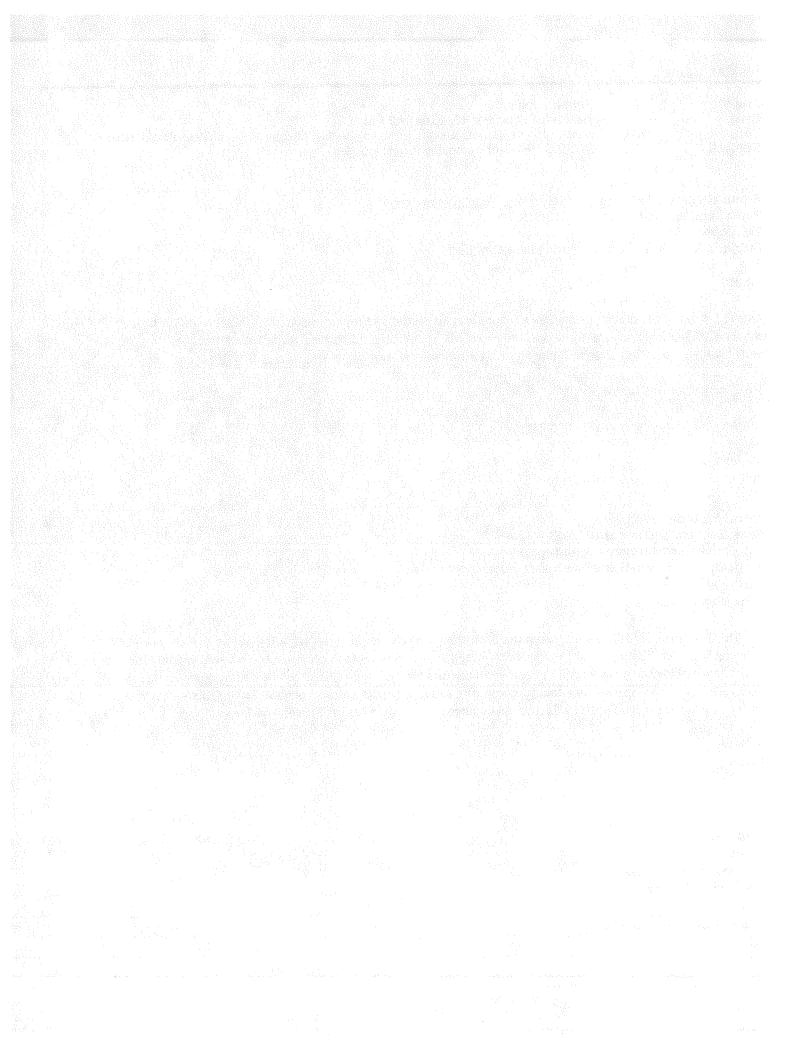
From: Napolitano Philip

Sent: Tuesday, September 10, 2013 8:52 AM
To: 'Gorman, John' (Gorman, John@epa.gov)
Subject: P.S. 161 Bronx smoking ballast incident

Good morning John:

P.S. 161 located at 628 Tinton Avenue in the Bronx had a visibly smoking ballast in the general office room 118 this morning 9/10. The room was immediately evacuated and secured. A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation. Our environmental contractor will inspect/remove the fixture today. They will also provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. Wipe samples will be taken as well. The room will remain closed pending wipe sample results. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards, Phil



From:

Gorman, John

Sent:

Tuesday, September 10, 2013 3:29 PM

To:

Haklar, James; Schulz, Susan; Santella, Dennis; Evangelista, Pat; Newton, Caroline; Molnar,

William; Wienckoski, Ronald

Subject:

FW: P.S. 19 Bronx smoking ballast incident

From: Napolitano Philip [mailto:PNapolitano2@schools.nyc.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, September 10, 2013 3:26 PM

To: Gorman, John

Subject: P.S. 19 Bronx smoking ballast incident

John:

P.S. 19 located at 4318 Katonah Avenue in the Bronx had a visibly smoking ballast in staircase #7 this afternoon 9/10. The staircase doors were immediately closed with caution tape (we did not lock the doors). A fan was put in place to aid in ventilation and the exit doors are open. Fixture removal and wipe samples will happen tonight. The environmental contractor will provide additional ventilation with a blower unit. The staircase will remain closed pending wipe sample results. The school administration was directed that in the event of a building emergency the staircase can be used. Parent notification letters will be sent. I will update you once wipe sample results are returned.

Regards, Phil

